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(b) the safeguards, if any, taken against alienation or assignment of these lands or encroachment thereon;

(c) the steps taken to provide fresh pasture lands in the villages?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) There is a register for each village called the 'A'. Register which contains details of all porambokes including grazing grounds with their description. A list of such porambokes is separately exhibited in the village Account No. 2 (Adangal) maintained by the Karnams.

(b) There are orders to the effect that grazing ground porambokes in a village should not be assigned unless sufficient grazing ground, excluding the Panchayat and Reserve Forests, is available to serve the needs of the cattle in the village, at the rate of one acre of pasture per head of cattle. Encroachers are generally evicted.

(c) On the recommendation of the State Fodder and Grazing Committee, the Government have ordered that a survey of the area required for grazing should be carried out by the Extension staff in the Community Development and National Extension Service villages, and a report submitted to the Collectors with proposals for improvement of grazing areas and that the Collectors should submit a report to the Fodder and Grazing Committee on the steps taken
3-20 p.m. by them in this regard.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

II.—ANNOUNCEMENT *re.* MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

ASSOCIATION OF FIVE MEMBERS WITH THE COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR 1960-61.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to announce to the House that I have received a message from the Hon. Speaker, Madras Legislative Assembly, transmitting a copy of the following resolution as passed by the Assembly on 7th September 1960 and signed by him :—

'That this House recommends to the Legislative Council that they do nominate five Members of the Council to associate with the Committee on Estimates of this House for the year 1960-61 and communicate to this House the names of the Members so nominated'.

III.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS.

(1) APPROVAL OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM 'PRECINCTS OF THE HOUSE'—COUNCIL.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, I move—

"That the Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the definition of the term 'Precincts of the House' laid on the table of the House on 13th August 1960 with the following amendment, be approved :

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' In item (1) *after* the words ' Council Chamber ' and *before* the words ' the Chambers of the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman ', *insert* the following :

' the place where the Members of the Council are required to assemble either under Article 175 or under Article 176 of the Constitution '."

Sir, when the report of the Committee of Privileges was presented to the House, the Leader of the Opposition, as the Chairman of the Committee, raised a doubt whether the definition of " the precincts of the House " would include a place where Members of the Council were required to meet in joint sitting. The words used in clause (1) (i) are, ' the entire Secretariat Buildings in the Fort St. George, including the Council Chamber '. It may be argued that since the joint meeting is held in the premises of the Fort St. George and not in the place where the Legislative Assembly meets, this definition is quite adequate. But when we make a provision in the rules defining the privileges, it is better not to make any provision for the existing circumstances but to provide for all contingencies. It may be that the joint meeting of the members of both the Houses may be held outside the Assembly Chamber. For instance, in Parliament, the joint meeting of the Rajya Sabha and the Lok Sabha is held in the Central Hall, which is neither the Chamber of the Lok Sabha nor the Rajya Sabha. Therefore we thought it better to include in the definition of the precincts of the House the place where the joint sittings of both the Chambers are held. The amendment, therefore, says, ' the place where the Members of the Council are required to assemble either under Article 175 or under Article 176 of the Constitution, ' shall be deemed the precincts of the House. Sir, I move.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I take it that the motion is acceptable to the House. The question is :—

" That the Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the definition of the term ' Precincts of the House ' laid on the table of the House on 13th August 1960 with the following amendment, be approved :

' In item (1) *after* the words ' Council Chamber ' and *before* the words ' the Chambers of the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman ', *insert* the following :

' the place where the Members of the Council are required to assemble either under Article 175 or under Article 176 of the Constitution '."

The motion was put and carried.

(2) DRAFT OUTLINE OF THE THIRD FIVE-YEAR PLAN—*cont.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : I want to inform hon. Members that the House will rise at 4 o'clock to-day. Several members have expressed a desire that the House may rise early so that they may go to the aerodrome to give a send-off to the Finance Minister. I have got twelve speakers for to-day. I cannot put them all in. I fix a time limit of five minutes for each speaker.